

## LEAGUE ELECTS BELGIAN PRESIDENT

## Says Wilson Knew Of Defective Ship Work

RIVETER SAYS  
HE WAS FIRED  
FOR HONESTYTestifies Package of Defective  
Rivets Were Mailed  
President.

## CALLS WORK "FIERCE"

Admiral Benson Says No  
Wrong Doer Will Escape  
Punishment.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Alleged defective riveting on ships constructed for the emergency fleet corporation was not only called to the attention of President Wilson but "evidence" in the form of a package of the rivets was sent to him, a witness before the Walsh committee inquiring into shipping board affairs testified Monday.

The witness was Thomas H. Purcell, who described himself as "an expert riveter of the old school." In 1915 he was engaged as an inspector of hulls at the plant of the submarine boat corporation. Some of the riveters' work in this yard he described as "fierce." He said his superiors would not support him in his contentions of poor work—therefore he sent President Wilson "some samples" in the form of defective rivets. He could not say if they ever saw "the evidence," but he did know he was "fired for sending it."

Reinstated By Wilson.  
"They gave me only just about enough time to get my clothes and get out of the yard," he said. Later on, he said, the president answered his complaints through his secretary, Mr. Tumulty. As a result he was reinstated as an inspector and given his back pay. He did not return to the submarine boat corporation yard, but was sent to the Standard Ship Building plant. "It was evident," the witness testified, "that my record had preceded me—for I found I was in bad luck there."

He also testified that the riveting situation at the latter plant was also "something fierce." He complained to his superiors, he added, without satisfaction. He then threatened to go direct to the emergency fleet corporation headquarters at Philadelphia and was warned not to do it.

"I went to Philadelphia and was again fired," he said. The witness supplemented his verbal testimony as to poor riveting by exhibits in the form of drawings by him showing faulty riveting. He then showed a package of rivets used in ship construction. The committee was enlightened as to the meaning of various terms used in describing faulty riveting, and how sliced poor work was covered up by "doping with red lead and other materials."

Names Instances.  
He named hull No. 12, among others, as an example of alleged poor riveting work. Asked if this ship was still afloat, he said he did not know. Chairman Walsh asked (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR.)

PROBE SOURCE  
OF BIG FUNDDefense in the Rumley Case  
Claims Man Now Dead  
Purchased Mail.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Financial operations of the former German fiscal agent here and transactions of Dr. Heinrich Albert, it is charged, occupied much of the testimony at Monday's session of the federal court trial of Dr. Edward A. Rumley, charged with concealing alleged German ownership of the New York Evening Mail during the war. In support of its contention that \$150,000 advanced by Dr. Albert to Dr. Hux Schwetzer, was paid to him by Rumley, it is charged that the defendant with R. Lindheim, co-defendant with Dr. Rumley and S. Walter Kaufman, former bookkeepers of the agency, had received from Dr. Albert \$189,000 was advanced to Dr. Schwetzer in January 1917, and the following month \$150,000 was transferred to Lindheim.

Sickles Reported Dead.  
"The name of Herman Sickles, formerly a prominent German coffee merchant here, was mentioned frequently by Fred A. Borgmeyer, a former employee of the fiscal agent, who underwent lengthy cross examination by the defendants' counsel. The defense claimed the purchase of the Mail was made by him. Sickles was in Germany at the outbreak of the war and his death in Baden was reported in a letter received by New York in 1917."

Testifying to Dr. Albert's financial operations, Borgmeyer declared the former German agents had permission to buy and spend indiscriminately in this country and South America.

College Student  
Body Walks Out;  
Hazing is Cause

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Nov. 15.—Acting in defiance of the board of governors and visitors and the faculty of St. John's college, the entire student body, consisting of the senior, junior, sophomore and freshman classes—about 200 students in all—went on "strike" Monday. The second day of the student suspension operations at least temporarily.

"Inefficiency of the board of governors and visitors of St. John's college to satisfactorily adjust and direct the movements of this college," is the reason for the walkout, according to the following letter to Vice President John B. Ripper, signed by L. W. Hecht, "chairman publicity committee."

"Board Inefficient."  
"In consequence of the recent and many previous unsatisfactory developments originating according to our belief in the efficiency of the board of governors and visitors of St. John's college, to satisfactorily adjust and direct the movements of this college, the student body of this institution uses this means to notify Dr. John B. Ripper, acting president of St. John's college, that they will absent themselves until arrangements, such as will prove satisfactory to a committee consisting jointly of the presidents and secretaries of the senior, junior, sophomore and freshman classes have been completed with, or until another and more suitable method of arbitration has been fulfilled."

This action came after it was thought the controversy between the members of the sophomore classes, and the board of governors which has caused turmoil at the institution for three weeks, had ended Monday morning, when the sophomores signed a pledge. This pledge, in brief, was that the class would amend the rules adopted as a means of enforcing subordination on the freshman class and to abolish hazing as "slighting" or compelling the freshmen to perform menial service is concerned.

WHISKY SEIZED BY  
POLICE IN RAID AT  
MAGYAR HALL BARCassidy and Detectives Also  
Visit Vivian Dale Place  
Monday Night.

Asst. Chief of Police William Cassidy and a detail of detectives raided the Magyar hall bar room on S. Chapin st. Monday night and secured a quantity of sliced whisky and several bottles of White Mule. Mike Alby, proprietor of the place, was arrested and taken to police headquarters. He was released later upon bond.

The place was raided at the busiest hour Monday night and when Cassidy entered the place the proprietor was asked to show sliced whisky. Cassidy said he had sliced poor work was covered up by "doping with red lead and other materials."

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POLICE SEEK THIRD  
WOMAN IN CHICAGO  
PARK MYSTERY CASE

CHICAGO, Nov. 15.—A new witness was being sought by the police Monday night in an effort to solve the mystery surrounding the deaths of two women whose bodies were found on the Lake front in Grant park yesterday. The bodies apparently had been tossed from an automobile.

At the inquest it was testified that the women, Marie Ramey and Lillian Thompson, were actresses and had recently come to Chicago from New York. They were traced from an apartment which they had been occupying to a cafe which they left at midnight Saturday in company with a third woman and some men. This third woman is now being sought by the police.

Efforts also were being made to trace a mysterious telephone call to the police which resulted in the finding of the bodies, both of which were badly bruised, Sunday morning.

POISON TRIAL OPENS.  
NEWPORT, Ky., Nov. 15.—Appearance on the witness stand of Mrs. Carl Williams, mother of the three Williams children who died recently in Newport of arsenic poisoning, and the assurance by the attorney for the accused, Mrs. Ida Warner, who is under indictment on charges of having administered the poison, that Mrs. Warner would take the witness stand later in her own behalf, featured the opening of Mrs. Williams' trial today in Campbell county circuit court.

INVESTIGATE SHIP  
BUILDING SCANDAL

Rep. Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, chairman of the Congressional investigating committee probing the ship building scandal.

Rep. Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, chairman of the Congressional investigating committee probing the ship building scandal, today disclosed evidence of graft and extravagant waste in the operation of the merchant marine of the United States shipping board were made at the meeting of the committee yesterday.

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QUARANTINE LAW  
TO BE ENFORCEDThirty-Five Cases of Smallpox  
Reported to City Health  
Officer.

With 35 cases of smallpox reported to the board of public health, Dr. E. G. Freymuth, secretary of the board, has issued orders to the health officers to see that quarantine laws are strictly carried out. He has also appealed to people to keep their homes clean in order to prevent an epidemic.

According to the health officers, no one is too young or too old to submit to vaccination. The first arrest since the issuance of the new order was made Monday morning. Mary Kruk, 619 W. South st., was arrested for violating the home quarantine law at 1315 Grace st. and failing to comply with the orders of the health officers.

When arraigned in city court on Monday morning Mrs. Kruk pleaded guilty to the charge and paid a fine of \$10 and costs. In assessing the fine Judge Gilmer said he was inclined to be lenient because Mrs. Kruk has a four months' old child to look after and this may have been her cause to violate the order.

KILLED IN AUTO CRASH.

CAYUGA, Ind., Nov. 15.—John W. Thomas, 50 years old, a farmer, was killed Monday when an automobile in which he was riding was struck by a Chicago and Eastern Illinois train and knocked into a small stream.

WOMAN DRAWN  
INTO NET FOR  
\$5,000 THEFTShoplifter Tells Police Clothing  
Bought for Suffer-  
ers in Europe.

One of the most notorious alleged shoplifters in South Bend was arrested Monday night by Asst. Chief of Police William Cassidy and a detail of detectives. The woman, Mrs. Stanislaw Andziewski, was apprehended at her home after goods valued by local merchants at more than \$5,000 was found in the home.

The police found the large stock of booty when Acting Capt. of Police James Cutting went to the home Friday night to serve a search warrant to find several articles of women's wearing apparel. When the captain entered Mrs. Andziewski's room he found countless numbers of articles of both men's and women's clothing. Included in the list were a large number of men's ready to wear clothes that had never been taken from hangers. The clothes bore the names of well known makers displayed in local clothing stores.

Offers to Fight.  
According to the police the woman has been carrying on her work for the last year and is one of the cleverest known to the police. When taken to the county jail in the police Cadillac she feigned a swoon and a doctor was called. Later when she landed in the woman's ward at the county jail she surprised the officer's by offering to fight.

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TERRA HAUTE, Ind., Nov. 15.  
Evans Wooler of Indianapolis was  
elected president of the Indiana  
state conference of charities and  
corrections Monday night when the  
unanimous vote of the 500 delegates  
accepted the report of the committee  
on organization which named  
the officers and executive committee  
for the ensuing year.

The place of meeting for the next annual convention will be Muncie, the time to be arranged by the newly elected executive committee. Mrs. Albion Follows Bacon of Evansville, retiring president of the conference, was elected chairman of the executive committee.

The five vice presidents, in the order named, are as follows: Dr. W. W. Parsons, Terre Haute; Rabbi M. M. Feinberg, Indianapolis; The Rev. F. J. C. McGinn, Notre Dame; Mrs. Ester Duncan, Ellettsville; and Mrs. Laura J. Cumback, Knightstown. Arthur J. Strawman of Indianapolis was elected secretary and Dan Pyle of South Bend, Miss Phoebe M. Weidling, Gary, and Mrs. Winifred Van Meter of Muncie were chosen assistant secretaries.

KEPT COMPANY WITH  
OTHER WOMEN, ASKS  
COURT FOR DIVORCE

Gladys B. Foltz, in a cross-complaint filed in answer to her husband's petition for divorce, says that she has seen her husband with women in a rooming house and that he often came home drunk. She alleges that he found fault with everything she did and that he forced her to work and also to partly support him. She also says that he is possessed of an unchangeable temper and frequently has called her vile names without cause.

TUMULTY WILL GET  
\$10,000 LIFE JOB

Joseph Tumulty

It has been learned at democratic headquarters in New York that Joseph P. Tumulty, President Wilson's secretary, is to be appointed chief judge of the United States court of customs appeals. The appointment is for life at an annual salary of \$16,000. The court sits at Washington, which may explain Tumulty's purchase a few days ago of the old Sheppard mansion at Washington. Tumulty was admitted to the bar in 1902 and has been Mr. Wilson's secretary since the president was governor of New Jersey.

RESCUE CREW OF  
WIDLAR AFTER 63  
HOURS ON WRECKFreighter's 28 Men Brought  
Into Sault Ste Marie  
By Tugs.

SAULT STE MARIE, Mich., Nov. 15.—After 63 hours aboard their storm-tossed vessel, the 7,600 ton steel freighter, Francis J. Widlar, Capt. Arthur Forbes and the 27 members of the crew reached here late Monday on the rescue tug.

Waves Cover Decks.  
From the time the ship was driven upon the rocks Friday night until the crew was taken off, great waves pounded over her, at times washing completely over the deck house. A portion of the deck was buckled and what hatch covers were not ripped off by the seas were torn off by the crew for use in staving off the flames. This allowed the boat to fill and subjected her to inside as well as outside pounding.

The crew, gathered in the forward cabin when the vessel grounded, suffered some hardship Friday night and until late Saturday, through lack of food, the high seas preventing their going ashore for supplies. They minimized their dangers upon arrival here, however, and mentioned that they had had fried chicken for breakfast this morning.

Alexander Stevens of Ashtabula, O., steward, was their hero. It was Stevens who ventured across the buckled deck Saturday and after narrowly escaping being washed overboard, brought forward food which he cooked on an improvised stove in the forward cabin, using bits of furniture for fuel. Stevens was the first of the crew to sight the rescue tug Iowa this morning.

Praise Ship's Dog.  
The men also showered praises upon "Foodle," a fox terrier whose romps aided in keeping up their spirits during the watch for a rescue ship.

The members of the crew were unanimous in their assertion that their experience had shown the necessity of maintaining ocean-going type tugs in the coast guard service off the treacherous White Fish coast.

Crofoot and Kelley Named  
As Road Commissioners

Aaron Crofoot and Clarence Kelley were appointed road viewers by the county commissioners Monday afternoon at a special session. The two men were named before Jan. 10 for the improving of the William Sauer highway and other roads in Madison, Union and Center townships.

ARMENIANS IN  
FLIGHT FROM  
CAPITAL CITYEvacuate Erivan as the Turks  
Continue Drive—Georgians  
Ordered Out.

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Erivan, capital of the Armenian republic, has been evacuated; communications between the great railway junction of Alexandropol and Tiflis, capital of Georgia, have been cut, partly isolating Armenia from the outside world, and the road from Ardahan to Ardanauch is jammed with Armenian women and children fleeing down the valley of the Techorok river toward Batum, according to cable dispatches received by the headquarters of the near east relief here Monday.

At the same time, reports were received that Mustapha Kemalpasha, in person, at the head of the Turkish national forces operating against Armenia, has ordered the Georgian government to evacuate Batum, on the Black sea, and that the Georgian army has been mobilized to defend that port.

Wires From Geneva.  
The first message reached the Near East relief through Edward Nevill, president, and Auguste de Morsier, secretary of the international Philanthropic conference now in session at Geneva in conjunction with the assembly of the league of nations.

"Latest news reports the Ardahan-Ardanauch road jammed with Armenian women and children from Kars and Alexandropol fleeing before the army of Mustapha Kemal, towards Batum. Armenian army has been forced to evacuate Erivan. Its ammunition having been exhausted, Georgia is mobilizing. United and homeless refugees are crowding into Tiflis for possible refuge. The Philanthropic league appeals to the international Red Cross, the Near East relief and the local mayor's committee to rush food, medicines and clothing to Batum."

The second message came from Mrs. Veronika Harris of Santa Cruz, Calif., temporary head of the Near East relief, who was acting in the Near East relief in Transcaucasia with the remaining American relief workers who refused to quit Alexandropol when the Turkish advance reached that city. Mrs. Harris' cable reads:

"Following official communication from the commandant of the forces of the Armenian republic Nov. 8:

"Temporary Armistice.  
"The military command of the Armenian republic was obliged to send part of our troops operating against the Turks in the region of Alexandropol against the Tartar rebels, who were acting in our rear near Mount Agh-Baba. These circumstances made necessary negotiations, the result of which was a temporary armistice (with the Turks) from Nov. 7.

The French mission in Tiflis reports Alexandropol taken. Have no news from the commandant of the Near East relief, but believe it to be safe. All communications between Alexandropol and Tiflis cut indefinitely."

Cable dispatches reaching the near east relief headquarters Friday from Capt. George Beckwith, Armenian diplomatic representative (CONTINUED ON PAGE FOUR.)

CLOSE VOTE SHOWN  
IN CLUB ELECTIONChamber of Commerce Directors  
Include F. W. Keller  
and J. F. Christman.

F. W. Keller and J. F. Christman were elected as new members of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce and E. F. Johnston, sr., A. F. Eby and C. A. Lippincott were elected Monday night following the count of ballots which have been cast by the members during the past week. These five men will serve on the board for the next two years.

A. G. Graham and G. W. J. Kalczynski are the members who will retire as a result of the election. The entire board is composed of 15 members. Ten of the men now serving will hold their offices until the 1921 election.

Ten candidates were in the race for the five vacancies to be filled on the board this year and an unusually heavy vote was polled. Twenty-five members sent in their sealed votes, which is about one-third of the entire membership. The race was extremely close and it was not until the final ballots were counted that the names of the winners were ascertained.

The following men are included on the hold-over list: G. E. Bingham, N. B. Feltes, A. H. Heller, L. P. Hardy, Samuel Leeper, George Robertson, George H. Wheelock, Abe Livingston, George Platner and E. W. Crouse.

PAUL HYMAN'S RECEIVES  
35 OF 41 VOTES: HOPES  
FOR ENTRY OF AMERICA  
BULLETINM. Motta Thanks Pres't Wil-  
son for Calling Meeting  
in Geneva.

## HYMANS IS EX-MINISTER

Debate Addition of Three  
Tardy Nations to the  
League Agenda.

GENEVA, Nov. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—Paul Hyman of Belgium was elected permanent president of the League of Nations at the opening session of the league's assembly here Monday. He received 35 of 41 votes over President Motta of Switzerland and one each for ex-President Ador of Switzerland and Leon Bourgeois of France.

Mr. Hyman had called the delegates to order and introduced President Motta of Switzerland, who, in his address welcoming the delegates, expressed the hope that the United States would not delay much longer in "taking its legitimate place in the league."

Women Delegates.  
When M. Hyman, who heads the Belgian delegation and is a former foreign minister of Belgium, declared the first session of the assembly open, the hall was crowded with men and women. There were several women among the delegates. Their toilets with the quaint red and yellow gowns of the Swiss guard, gave touches of color to an otherwise sober scene.

M. Motta, in his greetings to the delegates, thanked the peace conference for having selected Geneva as the seat of the league and also thanked President Wilson for calling the meeting of the assembly in the seat of the league.

The first session of the league assembly was attended by the delegates of all the belligerent states after several minutes' silence on the part of all the people of the canton. President Motta of Switzerland was followed by M. Hyman.

The socialist leader, Dr. Jauner Branting, head of the Swedish delegation, provided the first debate by objecting to the election of Paul Hyman as president of the league by acclamation. M. Hyman himself decided the question by holding that since one member requested a secret vote he was entitled to it.

A more animated and significant discussion grew out of the adoption of the resolution proposed by Dr. Branting, who represents South Africa, held that the applications for membership of Albania, Bulgaria and Austria, which were received since the league was made up, should be added to it.

The assembly so decided, after the French delegates, M. Viviani and Dr. Branting, had made it clear that the applications would be referred to a committee to be examined and a decision taken as to whether they would be received.

The resolution, it is contended, will establish a precedent so that, if Germany's application is received later, the French delegates will be able at once to raise the question of disunity.

The working organization of the assembly was formed Monday afternoon, and consists of six committees, each with 11 members. The committee report proposed for St. Joseph county completing its quota as very encouraging.

COMMISSION CONTINUES  
FORT WAYNE CAR FARE

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 15.—The seven cent cash street car fare at Fort Wayne, with four tickets for 25 cents, was continuing until next December 22 by an order announced late Monday by the public service commission.

By its order, the commission also granted the city's petition asking that the company be compelled to report the effect of the seven cent fare, originally granted Sept. 13, to the commission for 60 days. Further, the commission set Dec. 15 as the date for a hearing on the report.

In its report the company was directed to show a comparison of its income for the period Sept. 14 to Nov. 14, this year, with that of the same period during the last three years. The report also must show the number of cash and ticket fares.

MARINES TO TESTIFY  
IN HAITIAN TROUBLE  
PRINCE AU PRINCE, Haiti, Nov. 15.—The United States naval court will resume its sittings here tomorrow when it is probable that a dozen marines will give evidence relating to charges of individual violence toward natives. Maj. Jesse F. Dyer, judge advocate, returned today from Cape Haitien and other points in the island where he went to conduct witnesses who had been ordered to report here.

Although officials are silent, the correspondent learns that the naval court is gathering evidence on which will be ordered, some of them on charges of murder committed last year.

COMMISSION DECIDES  
MARION RATES STAND  
INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 15.—Existing rates for hot water heating at Marion were continued for the remainder of the current heating season by an order Monday of the public service commission.

The order also extended until next July 15, the time within which the company must file data with the commission, showing the cost and cost set off as a heating charge. The cost of the hot water radiation to the company was found by the commission to be from 22 to 24 cents a square foot.

FACTORIES TO  
REPORT TODAYRed Cross Membership Here  
Reaches 7,000—Pros-  
pects Good.

With the Red Cross campaign for enrollments now in full swing, Miss Irma Collier secretary of the local branch and K. W. Crouse, campaign manager, report prospects for St. Joseph county completing its quota as very encouraging.

The moral and financial support of one hundred percent which public school teachers lent to the drive has awakened many of the more reticent contributors," said Mr. Crouse Sunday night, "and I am confident that before the drive concludes on Thanksgiving day, the always loyal people of this county will have subscribed the quota allotted by national officers."

Today the factories will submit their efforts. In the past the workers have always contributed handsomely to the drive, and there is no reason to expect different returns this year.

Various Red Cross workers when interviewed Monday night declared that responses are given as cheerfully as ever owing to the splendid record made by the organization during the past year.

The enrollment Monday night had reached 7,000 and the total to be subscribed before Nov. 25 is placed at 23,000.

Local Liberty and the outlying districts started their campaign Sunday night with mass meeting.